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STATISTICAL ROUNDUP

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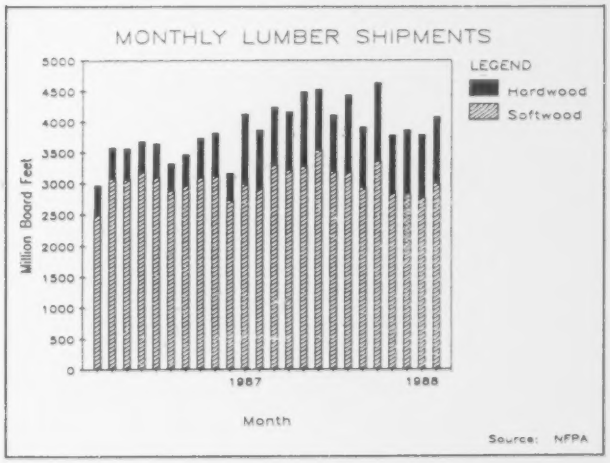
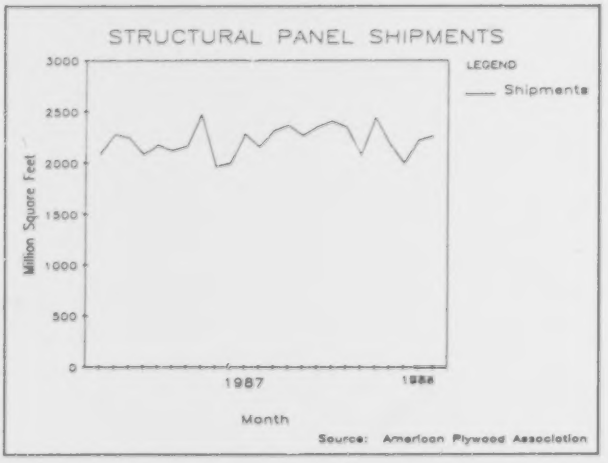
ESTIMATED INDUSTRY TOTALS BY PRODUCING REGION

	FEBRUARY, 1988			FEBRUARY 29, 1988		JANUARY REVISIONS		
	Production	Shipments	Orders Received	Unfilled Orders	Gross Stocks	Production	Shipments	Orders Received
	(Million Board Feet)					(Million Board Feet)		
SOFTWOOD LUMBER								
Southern Pine Region	958	938	977	933	2,046	938	909	843
West Coast Region	809	779	734	452	791	716	687	758
Inland Region	986	963	949	678	1,394	879	873	968
California Redwood Region	183	177	186	140	408	190	164	179
Other Softwoods	147	143	142	270	311	136	132	137
TOTAL SOFTWOODS	3,083	3,000	2,988	2,473	4,950	2,859	2,765	2,885
% Change - January 1988	7.8%	8.5%	3.6%	-0.5%	1.7%			
% Change - February 1987	2.6%	1.9%	-0.2%	-3.9%	0.0%			
TOTAL HARDWOODS	951	1,084	925	329	1,332	955	1,025	955
% Change - January 1988	-0.4%	5.8%	-3.2%	-32.6%	-3.7%			
% Change - February 1987	22.9%	13.0%	-0.7%	-33.6%	-26.3%			
TOTAL LUMBER	4,034	4,084	3,913	2,802	6,282	3,814	3,790	3,840
% Change - January 1988	5.8%	7.8%	1.9%	-5.8%	0.5%			
% Change - February 1987	6.7%	4.7%	-0.3%	-8.8%	9.8%			
* Included in Other Hardwoods								
	(Thousand Feet)							
FLOORING								
Oak Flooring (Bd. Ft.)	NA	15,163	NA	10,904	9,636		15,043	
Maple Flooring (Sq. Ft.)	1,000	792	1,040	3,809	2,631	1,182	765	999
STRUCTURAL PANELS (Sq. Ft.)	2,356,000	2,261,421	2,149,216	695,439	510,000	2,238,814	2,229,050	2,151,123
% Change - January 1988	5.2%	1.9%	-0.1%	-1.6%	23.0%			
% Change - February 1987	8.1%	4.9%	4.0%	-6.9%	24.9%			





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YEAR-TO-DATE INDICATORS

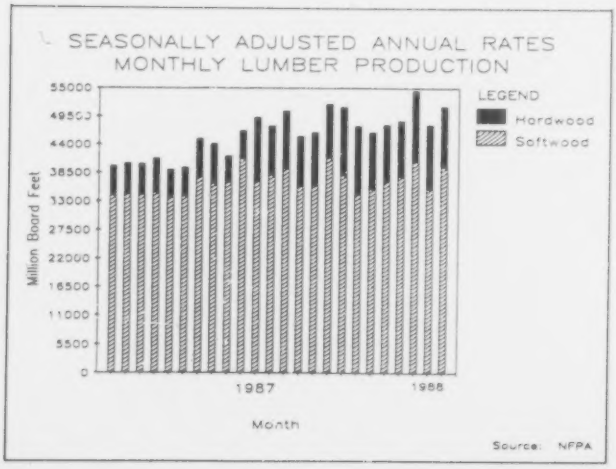
	PRODUCTION		SHIPMENTS		ORDERS RECEIVED	
	Latest Period Availabl	% Change	Latest Period Available	% Change	Latest Period Availabl	% Change
	2 mo.'88	2 mo.'87	2 mo.'88	2 mo.'87	2 mo.'88	2 mo.'87
	(Million Board Feet)					
TOTAL LUMBER	7,848	1.2%	7,873	-2.3%	7,753	-7.8%
TOTAL SOFTWOOD	5,942	-1.2%	5,765	-3.4%	5,873	-7.2%
TOTAL HARDWOOD	1,906	9.6%	2,108	0.7%	1,880	-9.8%
	(Million Square Feet)					
STRUCTURAL PANELS	4,595	3.6%	4,481	0.9%	4,300	-5.3%

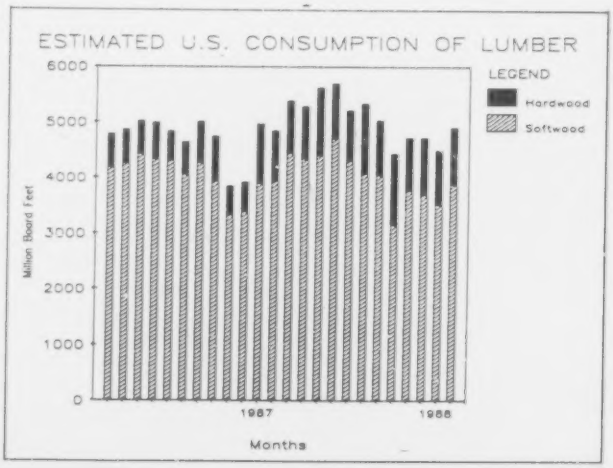
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ANNUAL RATES

	PRODUCTION			SHIPMENTS		
		---% Change From--			---% Change From-	
LUMBER REGION	Feb '88	Jan. '88	Feb. '87	Feb '88	Jan. '88	Feb. '87
	(Million Board Feet)			(Million Board Feet)		
Southern Pine	12,364	5.6%	0.7%	12,669	6.7%	-2.3%
West Coast	9,705	13.5%	-6.0%	10,266	17.0%	-6.5%
Inland	13,559	19.1%	11.8%	14,072	20.7%	13.0%
Calif. Redwood	2,239	2.6%	8.9%	2,378	14.2%	12.0%
Other Softwoods	1,926	13.8%	2.8%	1,985	15.1%	2.1%
TOTAL SOFTWOODS	39,793	12.0%	2.9%	41,370	14.5%	2.2%
TOTAL HARDWOODS	11,708	-5.5%	22.9%	13,113	1.3%	13.0%
TOTAL LUMBER	51,501	7.5%	6.9%	54,482	11.1%	4.7%

DOMESTIC LUMBER CONSUMPTION

	CURRENT			YEAR-TO-DATE	
	Latest Month Available	----% Change From----		Latest Period Available	% Change From
	Feb '88	Jan. '88	Feb. '87	2 mo.'88	2 mo. '87
	(Million Board Feet)				
Total Consumption	4,912	9.3%	1.4%	9,407	-4.3%
Softwood Consumption	3,887	10.2%	-1.5%	7,416	-5.6%
Hardwood Consumption	1.025	6.1%	13.9%	1,991	0.8%

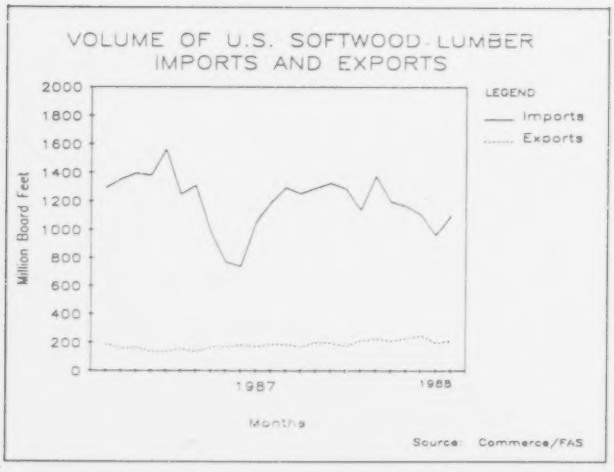


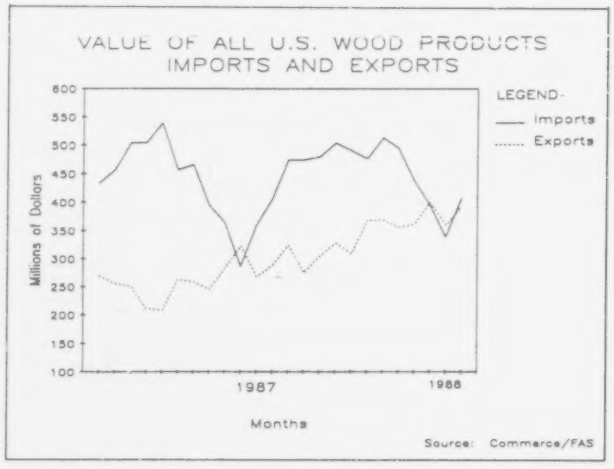


INTERNATIONAL TRADE STATISTICS

		VOLUME				VALUE (F.A.S. Thousands of Dollars)			
		Feb. '88	2 mo. 1988	% Change From Jan. '88	% Change From 2 mo. 1987	Feb. '88	2 mo. 1988	% Change From Jan. '88	% Change From 2 mo. 1987
EXPORTS									
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	212.5	410.8	7.1%	13.9%	73,877	142,012	8.4%	13.4%
To Canada	MMBF	39.0	73.8	12.4%	18.7%	12,382	23,111	15.4%	49.3%
SOFTWOOD LOGS	MMBF	355.7	646.0	22.5%	8.1%	154,864	282,031	21.8%	40.7%
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSF 3/8"	102.2	227.0	-18.2%	14.6%	22,620	51,517	-21.7%	15.6%
HARDWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	92.7	180.0	6.1%	90.8%	49,480	96,084	6.2%	58.6%
HARDWOOD LOGS	MMBF	16.1	33.6	-8.0%	39.0%	12,815	24,924	5.8%	22.1%
HARDWOOD VENEER	MMSFsurf	113.9	216.7	10.7%	18.6%	10,406	19,557	13.7%	28.5%
PARTICLEBOARD	MMSF 3/4"	20.7	38.0	19.8%	18.7%	5,356	9,665	24.3%	45.0%
ALL OTHER		NA	NA	NA	NA	60,601	101,260	49.0%	25.7%
TOTAL U.S. EXPORTS		NA	NA	NA	NA	393,002	732,041	15.9%	31.3%
IMPORTS									
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	1,099.4	2,061.4	14.3%	-8.1%	222,187	421,561	11.4%	-1.4%
From Canada	MMBF	1,089.7	2,038.5	14.9%	-8.0%	218,867	414,538	11.9%	-2.4%
SOFTWOOD LOGS	MMBF	9.6	10.5	932.0%	387.9%	1,777	1,981	771.1%	193.0%
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSF 3/8"	11.9	24.0	-0.6%	35.2%	3,861	7,354	10.5%	25.7%
HARDWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	33.8	62.6	17.7%	14.0%	18,801	32,335	38.9%	50.3%
HARDWOOD LOGS	MMBF	1.0	2.1	-6.2%	-54.6%	306	679	-18.0%	12.2%
HARDWOOD VENEER	MMSFsurf	154.1	283.0	19.6%	7.8%	14,633	26,097	27.6%	49.9%
HARDWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSFsurf	267.2	538.6	-1.6%	-12.4%	44,617	87,643	3.7%	-3.1%
HARDBOARD	MMSF 1/8"	68.2	100.4	112.3%	-13.2%	4,607	7,074	86.7%	-31.9%
PARTICLEBOARD	MMSF 3/4"	142.0	262.8	17.6%	29.0%	12,348	23,323	12.5%	0.6%
ALL OTHER		NA	NA	NA	NA	80,096	151,310	12.5%	-3.8%
TOTAL U.S. IMPORTS		NA	NA	NA	NA	407,581	768,014	13.1%	0.8%

Note: Volume total is not possible because the products are in different units of measure.
Note: Particleboard imports include OSB/Waferboard.



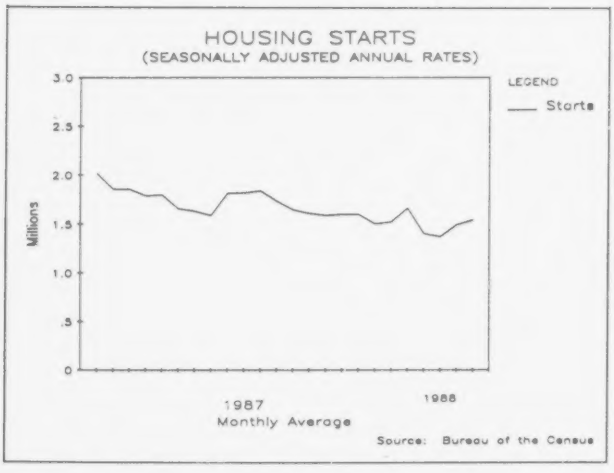


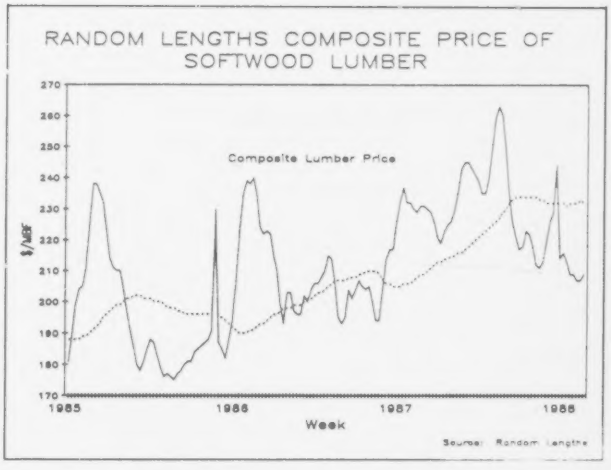
HOUSING STARTS

	Mar. '88	Feb. '88	Mar. '87	3 mo. '88	3 mo. '87
	(Thousands of Units)				
NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED					
Total Private & Public	131.4	90.0	141.3	299.6	-14.2%
New Private Starts:					
Seas. Adj. Annual Rate	1,543	1,514	1,723	4,439	-16.8%
Northeast	300	311	292	917	-0.5%
Midwest	266	259	348	751	-33.8%
South	551	585	615	1,599	-14.6%
West	426	359	468	1,172	-16.8%
Single-Family					
Proportion of Total	77.8%			74.1%	
	Feb. '88	Jan '88	Feb. '87	2 Mo. '88	2 Mo. '87
Shipment of Mobile Homes	15,200	15,200	16,300	28,200	-12.7%

INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT

	Mar. '88	----% Change From--- Feb.'88	Mar. '87
	(Thousands of Employees)		
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT (Seasonally Adj.)			
All Industries	104,344	0.3%	3.2%
All Manufacturing Industries	19,401	0.0%	2.2%
Lumber and Wood Products	753	-0.7%	1.9%
Furniture and Fixtures	533	-0.2%	5.6%





INTERNATIONAL TRADE STATISTICS
PROPORTION OF U.S. IMPORTS & EXPORTS IN PRIMARY MARKETS

		VOLUME				VALUE (F.A.S. Thousands of Dollars)			
		Feb.'88	Feb. '87	YTD 88	% Change From YTD 87	Feb.'88	Feb. '87	YTD 88	% Change From YTD 87
EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY									
U.S. EXPORTS									
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	33,022	25,930	72,237	59.00	15,331	14,809	32,982	24.40
SOFTWOOD LOGS	MMBF	335	650	1,385	64.68	154	244	1,011	118.58
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSF 3/8"	86,652	48,815	192,293	54.11	18,965	10,463	43,538	54.98
HARDWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	29,928	11,802	56,826	164.70	19,489	9,949	37,139	107.44
HARDWOOD LOGS	MMBF	5,419	3,923	13,933	112.13	6,087	5,497	12,432	40.42
HARDWOOD VENEER	MMSFsurf	58,762	55,142	103,564	12.08	6,013	4,830	10,733	28.39
PARTICLEBOARD	MMSF 3/4"	1,862	2,517	2,847	(14.22)	588	900	866	31.00
U.S. IMPORTS									
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	0	49	27	(94.92)	0	27	7	(91.82)
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSF 3/8"	50	81	50	(38.27)	2	33	2	(92.64)
HARDWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	801	37	908	1079.22	188	69	327	120.19
HARDWOOD LOGS	MMBF	30	2,583	98	(96.43)	59	92	104	(3.31)
HARDWOOD VENEER	MMSFsurf	8,624	10,007	15,224	23.91	1,278	799	2,761	110.71
HARDWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSFsurf	1,924	1,293	2,944	36.61	632	324	907	23.32
HARDBOARD	MMSF 1/8"	0	282	16	(96.26)	0	9	5	(90.65)
PARTICLEBOARD	MMSF 3/4"	811	126	1,232	262.93	253	175	555	91.49
PACIFIC RIM									
U.S. EXPORTS									
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	104,394	97,331	183,120	(3.34)	36,269	33,773	63,020	(1.14)
SOFTWOOD LOGS	MMBF	309,927	269,660	568,539	14.61	146,939	100,675	267,295	45.62
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSF 3/8"	1,472	1,049	3,098	0.45	331	257	683	(7.76)
HARDWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	24,810	11,700	50,278	103.36	13,562	8,928	27,183	46.01
HARDWOOD LOGS	MMBF	6,647	5,231	11,971	24.23	4,941	3,680	8,996	13.95
HARDWOOD VENEER	MMSFsurf	26,976	13,378	55,527	64.83	1,809	1,471	3,882	25.37
PARTICLEBOARD	MMSF 3/4"	8,372	8,173	16,055	23.55	1,786	1,173	3,448	80.60
U.S. IMPORTS									
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	135	0	6,709	NC	25	0	1,166	NC
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSF 3/8"	602	2,026	1,468	(60.86)	93	317	254	(65.30)
HARDWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	287	1,020	595	(50.13)	271	342	515	(10.83)
HARDWOOD VENEER	MMSFsurf	53	457	214	(73.22)	32	3	40	(55.60)
HARDWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSFsurf	42,381	67,117	75,561	(41.31)	10,498	11,853	18,697	(18.40)
HARDBOARD	MMSF 1/8"	0	336	65	(80.65)	0	8	5	(40.14)
PARTICLEBOARD	MMSF 3/4"	91,870	0	885,919	NC	46	0	326	688.56